GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2423
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2002
ISLAND IDENTITY CARD
MOHAN RAWALE

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andaman and Nicobar Administration is issuing Island Identity Card to the persons who are living in the islands continuously for a period of 15 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith purpose for issuing such cards;

(c) whether the same is legally supported by legislation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Island Identity Cards are being issued to those islanders who have been residing in the Islands continuously for a period of 15 years as on 9-3-1993. The purpose of issuing Island Identity Cards is to check the influx of population to Andaman and Nicobar Islands and to identify those islanders who, being the permanent inhabitants of the islands, are eligible for incentives and concessions that might be given by the Government and concessions that might be given by the Government and also those who would attract disincentives that might be built into the system to decrease the load on the carrying capacity of the Islands.

(c)&(d): The Island Identity Cards are being issued to the permanent residents of the Islands within the meaning of Rule 170
(ii) of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Land Revenue and Land Reforms Rules, 1968 framed under the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Land Revenue and Land Reforms Regulation, 1966.